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: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR CHROMIZING AN

INNER SURFACE OF A COMPONENT

## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANCE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliance Dated April 19, 2004 and in response to the Patent Office Action dated December 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.